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## Vision becomes reality: 100 per cent electricity from wind and sun

VSB has installed more than 450 wind turbines and solar facilities across Europe. As a result, around one million people can be supplied with green energy; and this number is growing.

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Clean energy generation, climate protection, and divestment. Many people are convinced by sustainability, taking the direct approach to leaving a cleaner environment for the next generation. "What can we do to produce environment-friendly energy?" the VSB Group's founders asked themselves 20 years ago. "Maybe wind farms." Their Dresden planning office turned this idea into success.

Since then, their projects and team of more than 200 engineers, regional planners and economists are internationally operational. They develop and build green infrastructure projects from 13 locations between Helsinki and Tunis – either independently or as service for clients. Annually, this saves many thousands of tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>. "Our clients are keen to invest safely and profitably in ventures that are good for the climate. For them, we have ready-made solutions," says Marko Lieske, VSB Holding GmbH's managing director. Storage is necessary, if renewables are to replace conventional generation in the future. Energy experts are working on regional concepts to stabilise the grid and keep electricity available – even when the wind takes a break.

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